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The elements again were on the side of the Allies in the Big Drive the first of the week. Can it be that "Me und Gott" have dissolved partnership?

The Estancia News-Herald does not take to Mr. Bursum's plan of forgetting the election this fall. Neighbor Constant sees some scheme of the republicans in the matter. Just where it is, he does not explain. As far as Torrance county is concerned, the present list of officers is republican, and the chances are good that if an election is held, the next list will be likewise. About the only chance of a change is the influx of homesteaders to the county, most of whom are located on the Mesa in the south portion of the county. Of course there are some all over the county but the majority are to the south. Of the new comers, quite a few have been in the state a year and consequently will not have a vote coming. But of those who will cast their first vote this fall, probably a small majority are democrats, with the socialists a close second. But even if all would vote the democratic ticket there will not be enough new voters registered to change the result in the county. Why not simply forget the election and let the present officers hold over, as they would legally do, if there were no election, or if the successors should not qualify?

DEFILING THE FLAG

As the war goes on and the casualty lists bring home our losses, we read of mobs forcing pro-Germans to kiss the flag. The crowd laughs and cheers, and the mob disperses with a smug feeling that it has done something finely patriotic.

In reality it has done the meanest thing a mob can do. The poor fool that it has manhandled is not cured of his disloyalty, but rather is confirmed in it by having suffered violence at the hands of American citizens, but that is the least of the evil that has been done. To those of us who are loyal that flag represents all that we hold dearest and most sacred in life. It is the visible emblem of our right to worship God as we please. Our right to free speech and a free press; our right to put whom we choose into office, and to hold, ourselves, any office that we have the ability to attain. It stands for our right to make our own laws and to repeal them when they no longer please us. It is an omnipresent and indestructible memorial to the faith and courage and self-sacrifice of our fathers who died for it, and of our sons who are dying for it now. It is as dear as sister as beautiful as a mother.

And into the presence of that symbol of purity and noble sentiment you lead a traitor and force him to press his foul lips to its immaculate folds! The flag cannot resist but how every fibre of it must shrink and revolt! It cannot repel the assault or protest against the insult, but forever after it must float a little less proudly, must carry itself with a little less lofty consciousness.

To be allowed to kiss that flag is not a penance, but a privilege—the privilege of patriots, patriots only. It is not for traitors.—Authorship Unknown.

Nothing to Can

A conversation was overheard on the street in front of the Independent office last Saturday to the effect that the canning demonstration was nonsense as there was nothing to can in this country. Evidently the speaker is not awake to the possibilities or she would not have made such a remark.

Just at present rhubarb is on the market and at a very reasonable price. Canned rhubarb will mean pies and sauce next winter. Rhubarb conserve is easily made and means healthful spread for children's lunches next winter—and some children of mature years will not turn up their noses at it either. Very shortly there will be green beans which are readily canned and thus prepared for winter use.

Beets may be canned with little trouble and will help to make next winter's meals more palatable. Corn, peas, squash, chili sauce, piccalilly, show chow, etc., are all to be had for canning. Then if the usual fruits are not so plentiful, there is nearly always a supply of choke cherries, wild plums, wild grapes, etc., to be had during the late summer. Last summer and fall the cook of the Independent family found plenty of fruit and vegetables to fill about a hundred and fifty quart jars—and yet there is nothing here to can. And she has begun to fill her jars again in this year of 1918.

LIBERTY

A slow rain fell last night and this morning. Also continuing about half of the afternoon.

The farmers are busy in the war with General Green and his army, and we think about another week will bring peace to the farmers.

Crops are looking well and beans growing. Prospects are now ahead of this time of the past two years.

Mr. Garrison filled his appointment at the Gran Quivira schoolhouse last Sunday, preaching to a good congregation from the text, Psalms 9: 17.

On the third Sunday of this month, it is expected to begin a meeting at Round Top. We have the promise of help from Rev. Mr. Waltz of Estancia and Rev. Mr. Phipps of Mountainair. We hope to have a good meeting, and invite everybody in the community to come and help.

PLEASANT VIEW

A. G. Parker from Chapman settlement was in this section Monday.

The Everett brothers from near Estancia, were in the Snell home Tuesday.

Ross Johnson and family visited in the East Mesa Sunday.

Messrs. R. L. Shaw, Robinson and Dan James had business in Estancia Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Snell did business in Estancia this week.

Bruce Beagle, (the Raleigh man), formerly of Socorro, but now of Mountainair, was displaying his goods in this section this week and doing a nice business at Broncho.

Mr. and Mrs. Earley heard from their son, Jess at Mare's Island. Mrs. Leonard also hears from her son, Lee Briggs, at New York.

Robt Custer formerly of this place, but now from Arizona, is moving back to his old homestead, and is putting up a neat little house.

Bill Morris is sporting a new Dori these late days, with his lady by his side.

A deal has been perfected between B. Snell and Mr. McEachern, by which Mr. Snell will seek new environments. We regret losing this amiable family, and trust they will be a boon to whatever locality they move, as they were in this during their short stay and and welcome Mr. McEachern and family as most of us have learned to regard them very highly.

The Red Cross entertainment was a success Saturday night, all of the community was present besides visitor's from several neighboring communities. Yes, the sandwiches, coffee and pie, were delicious. B. Snell was the speaker for the evening on Red Cross work. Our receipts were \$20.51. Measurements were had also string music and national hymns, which made us feel good to be present. The ladies are very busy in their work of knitting, having finished several pairs of socks, and hope to do sweater work in connection. We wish to thank all those contributing in this cause.

Bro. Perkins was present at his appointment Sunday, but owing to some business of Sunday School the time was delayed for his sermon but gave us a much encouraging talk—informed us we were as good or better than other Sunday Schools of which we feel proud. We are this month studying Acts. The Sunday School voted a service flag which will be displayed in our school room, placing

the blue star for each of our boys who are at the front.

The Sunday School will picnic next Sunday 21, near Punta. Everybody will, who can meet at school house promptly at 8:30 and from there to the grounds, where an enjoyable time awaits us. Last but not least each bring his Bible, song book and quarterly and have Sunday School at regular hour. Subject for the day is "Praying to God." Come let's enjoy Gods handiwork—Nature.

Sunday School officers were installed for the ensuing year with the exception of B. Snell who will tender his resignation at the time of his departure from the community, as follows

B. Snell, Superintendent.
C. J. Early, Assistant Superintendent.

Miss Lula Kenton, Secretary and Treasurer.

Mrs. Lester, Organist.
Mrs. Walpole, Assistant organist.
C. J. Early, Bible teacher.

V. B. Manning, Senior Class.
Miss Isabelle Clark, Junior Class.
Mrs. Cook, Primary.

The Sunday School contributed \$4.43 to hospitals and orphanage at Albuquerque of which Dr. C. E. Lukens is Supt. The 2nd Sunday each month we will contribute to this charitable institution.

Cora—What makes you think Dolly cheats at cards?

Deuce—I detected her with a card in her hand that I had thrown under the table.

You can develop horns by butting into other people's business.



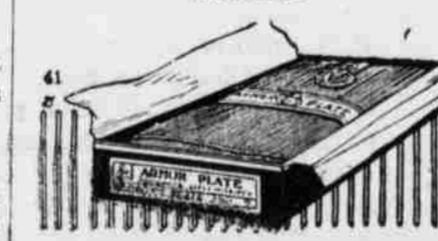
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3 LINES TIMES DIMES

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Lost:—On road between Estancia and Willard, Sunday, July 7, a blue serge coat. Had Masonic pin on lapel and name on inside coat pocket. Finder return to this office.

For Sale:—One fine fresh Jersey cow, 3 years old. Dr. G. H. Buer.

Best Oil, .80 cents per Gallon Second Hand Store.

For Sale:—Or Trade for Gasoline engine, a 10-foot Samson windmill. See J. H. Doyle, 1 mile north of Mountainair. 6-27-3t

For Sale:—Jersey Milk stock, cows, heifers and calves. See A. J. James, 9½ miles north and 1½ miles east of Mountainair. 6-27tf

Lost:—An 8 ft. steel digging bar on road between Estancia and Manzano on Wednesday of this week. Finder please return to Estancia Telephone Co. and receive reward.

FOR SALE:—10 ft. Samson windmill; new; 228 ft. 1½ inch piping and 1 inch wooden sucker rod; 1½ inch cylinder; 200 ft. 5½ inch casing, 18 gauge. S. B. Hibdon, 11 miles southeast of Mountainair. 7-3-3tp

For Sale:—A Chickering piano, New Edison diamond disc Phonograph, and household furniture. Mrs. Fred L. Hill.

For Sale:—A good Jack, cheap. Inquire of Shaw & Payne. 6-13-3t

Lost:—Pair of nose glasses in case marked Hammock Drug Store, Atkins, Ark. Finder please return to H. C. Jones, at Dyer's store, 6-13-3tp

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Regular Preaching Dates: At Gran Quivira schoolhouse the 2d Sunday at 11 a. m. At Round Top the 3d Sunday at 11 a. m. and at night.

W. D. Garrison, Pastor.

Baptist Church Services

Sunday School at 10 a. m. E. Y. P. U. at 7 p. m. Preaching the 1st and 3d Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Prayer Meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Ladies Missionary Aid Society meets twice a month (Wednesday) 2:30 p. m. Sunbeam Band 1st and 3d Sundays at 3 p. m.

Church Conference Saturday 7:30 p. m. before the 1st Sunday in each month. W. B. Phipps, Pastor.

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